

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**Federal Energy Regulatory Commission**

[Project No. 1417-080]

Central Nebraska Public Power and Irrigation District; Notice of Availability of Draft Environmental Assessment

August 29, 2002.

In accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 and the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's (Commission) regulations, 18 CFR part 380 (Order No. 486, 52 FR 47897), the Office of Energy Projects has reviewed a Land and Shoreline Management Plan for the Kingsley Dam Hydroelectric Project, located on the North Platte and Platte Rivers, in Garden, Keith, Lincoln, Dawson, and Gosper Counties, Nebraska, and has prepared a Draft Environmental Assessment (DEA). The Kingsley Dam Project does not occupy any federal or tribal lands.

The DEA contains the staff's analysis of the potential environmental impacts of the project and concludes that approving the Land and Shoreline Management Plan, would not constitute a major federal action that would significantly affect the quality of the human environment.

A copy of the DEA is available for review at the Commission in the Public Reference Room or may be viewed on the Commission's Web site at <http://www.ferc.gov> using the "FERRIS" link. Enter the docket number excluding the last three digits in the docket number field to access the document. For assistance, call (202) 502-8222 or for TTY, (202) 208-1659.

Any comments should be filed within 30 days from the date of this notice and should be addressed to: Magalie R. Salas, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE, Washington, DC 20426. Please affix Project No. 1417-080 to all comments. Comments may be filed electronically via the Internet in lieu of paper. The Commission strongly encourages electronic filings. See 18 CFR 385.2001(a)(1)(iii) and the instructions on the Commission's Web site (<http://www.ferc.gov>) under the "e-Filing" link.

For further information, contact Steve Hocking at (202) 502-8753 or steve.hocking@ferc.gov.

Linwood A. Watson, Jr.,
Deputy Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**Federal Energy Regulatory Commission**

[Docket No. CP02-374-000]

Hackberry LNG Terminal, L.L.C.; Notice of Resource Agency Meeting and Site Visit

August 29, 2002.

On September 11, 2002, staff of the Office of Energy Projects (OEP) will attend an interagency meeting and pre-certification site visit of Hackberry LNG Terminal L.L.C.'s (Hackberry LNG) proposed liquefied natural gas (LNG) import terminal and storage facility in Cameron Parish, Louisiana. Representatives of Federal and state resource agencies, as well as representatives of Hackberry LNG, will be present.

All interested parties may attend the site visit. Those planning to attend must provide their own transportation. Anyone interested in participating should meet at the proposed LNG terminal site, located approximately 15 miles south of Sulphur, Louisiana along Louisiana State Route 27, at 8:30 a.m. on September 11, 2002. The meeting place is a gravel drive on the left side of Louisiana State Route 27, two miles south of the Intracoastal Waterway bridge.

Linwood A. Watson, Jr.,
Deputy Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**Federal Energy Regulatory Commission**

[Project No. 2738-049]

New York State Electric and Gas Corporation; Notice of Availability of Environmental Assessment

August 30, 2002.

An environmental assessment (EA) for Project No. 2738-049 is available for public review. The EA examines the New York State Electric and Gas Corporation's (NYSEG) proposal to change land rights, and sell 101 acres within the current boundary of the Saranac River Hydroelectric Project to Clinton County, New York (County) or New England Waste Services of New York, Inc. (NEWSNY). The County and NEWSNY have a public-private partnership currently operating a solid waste landfill adjacent to NYSEG's Kents Falls development, and propose

to expand the landfill upon the project lands they would acquire. The Kents Falls development is located along the Saranac River within the town of Schuyler Falls, Clinton County, New York.

The EA was written by staff in the Office of Energy Projects, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission. Copies of the EA can be viewed during normal business hours (8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.) in the Commission's Public Reference Room at 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426, or by calling (202) 502-8371. This document may also be viewed on the FERC Internet Web site (<http://www.ferc.gov>) using the FERRIS link. For assistance with FERRIS, the FERRIS helpline can be reached at (202) 502-8222.

Additional information about the proposed project is available from the Commission's Office of External Affairs at 1-866-208-FERC, or contact the environmental project manager, Paul Friedman, at (202) 502-8059.

Magalie R. Salas,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**Federal Energy Regulatory Commission****Notice of Application Accepted for Filing and Soliciting Motions To Intervene, Protests, and Comments**

August 29, 2002.

Take notice that the following hydroelectric application has been filed with the Commission and is available for public inspection:

a. *Type of Application:* Preliminary Permit.

b. *Project No.:* 12196-000.

c. *Date filed:* June 10, 2002.

d. *Applicant:* Clear Lake Hydro, LLC.

e. *Name of Project:* Clear Lake Dam Hydroelectric Project.

f. *Location:* At an existing dam owned by the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation (USBR) on the Lost River in Modoc County, California. Part of the project would be on lands administered by the USBR.

g. *Filed pursuant to:* Federal Power Act, 16 U.S.C. 791(a)—825(r).

h. *Applicant Contact:* Brent L. Smith, Northwest Power Services, Inc., P.O. Box 535, Rigby, Idaho 83442 (208) 745-0834.

i. *FERC Contact:* Regina Saizan, (202) 502-8765.

j. *Deadline for filing comments, protests, and motions to intervene:* 60

days from the issuance date of this notice.

All documents (original and eight copies) should be filed with: Magalie R. Salas, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426. Comments, protests, and interventions may be filed electronically via the Internet in lieu of paper; see 18 CFR 385.2001(a)(1)(iii) and the instructions on the Commission's Web site under the "e-Filing" link. The Commission strongly encourages electronic filings. Please include the project number (P-12196-000) on any comments or motions filed.

The Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure require all interveners filing a document with the Commission to serve a copy of that document on each person in the official service list for the project. Further, if an intervener files comments or documents with the Commission relating to the merits of an issue that may affect the responsibilities of a particular resource agency, they must also serve a copy of the document on that resource agency.

k. *Description of Project:* The proposed project would utilize the existing Clear Lake Dam and consist of: (1) A proposed 84-inch-diameter steel penstock approximately 200 feet long, (2) a proposed powerhouse containing one turbine generator having a total installed capacity of 1.5 MW, (3) a proposed 2-mile-long, 15 kV transmission line, and (4) appurtenant facilities. The project would have an annual generation of 5.4 GWh.

l. This filing is available for review at the Commission in the Public Reference Room or may be viewed on the Commission's Web site at <http://www.ferc.gov> using the "FERRIS" link. Enter the docket number excluding the last three digits in the docket number field to access the document. For assistance, call (202) 502-8222 or for TTY, (202) 208-1659. A copy is also available for inspection and reproduction at Clear Lake Hydro, LLC, 975 South State Highway, Logan, UT 84321, (435) 752-2580.

m. *Preliminary Permit*—Anyone desiring to file a competing application for preliminary permit for a proposed project must submit the competing application itself, or a notice of intent to file such an application, to the Commission on or before the specified comment date for the particular application (see 18 CFR 4.36). Submission of a timely notice of intent allows an interested person to file the competing preliminary permit application no later than 30 days after the specified comment date for the

particular application. A competing preliminary permit application must conform with 18 CFR 4.30(b) and 4.36.

n. *Preliminary Permit*—Any qualified development applicant desiring to file a competing development application must submit to the Commission, on or before a specified comment date for the particular application, either a competing development application or a notice of intent to file such an application. Submission of a timely notice of intent to file a development application allows an interested person to file the competing application no later than 120 days after the specified comment date for the particular application. A competing license application must conform with 18 CFR 4.30(b) and 4.36.

o. *Notice of Intent*—A notice of intent must specify the exact name, business address, and telephone number of the prospective applicant, and must include an unequivocal statement of intent to submit if such an application may be filed, either a preliminary permit application or a development application (specify which type of application). A notice of intent must be served on the applicant (s) named in this public notice.

p. *Proposed Scope of Studies under Permit*—A preliminary permit, if issued, does not authorize construction. The term of the proposed preliminary permit would be 36 months. The work proposed under the preliminary permit would include economic analysis, preparation of preliminary engineering plans, and a study of environmental impacts. Based on the results of these studies, the Applicant would decide whether to proceed with the preparation of a development application to construct and operate the project.

q. *Comments, Protests, or Motions to Intervene*—Anyone may submit comments, a protest, or a motion to intervene in accordance with the requirements of Rules of Practice and Procedure, 18 CFR 385.210, 385.211, 385.214. In determining the appropriate action to take, the Commission will consider all protests or other comments filed, but only those who file a motion to intervene in accordance with the Commission's Rules may become a party to the proceeding. Any comments, protests, or motions to intervene must be received on or before the specified comment date for the particular application.

r. *Filing and Service of Responsive Documents*—Any filings must bear in all capital letters the title "COMMENTS", "NOTICE OF INTENT TO FILE COMPETING APPLICATION", "COMPETING APPLICATION",

"PROTEST", "MOTION TO INTERVENE", as applicable, and the Project Number of the particular application to which the filing refers. Any of the above-named documents must be filed by providing the original and the number of copies provided by the Commission's regulations to: The Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426. An additional copy must be sent to Director, Division of Hydropower Administration and Compliance, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, at the above-mentioned address. A copy of any notice of intent, competing application or motion to intervene must also be served upon each representative of the Applicant specified in the particular application.

s. *Agency Comments*—Federal, state, and local agencies are invited to file comments on the described application. A copy of the application may be obtained by agencies directly from the Applicant. If an agency does not file comments within the time specified for filing comments, it will be presumed to have no comments. One copy of an agency's comments must also be sent to the Applicant's representatives.

Linwood A. Watson, Jr.,

Deputy Secretary.

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Take notice that the following hydroelectric application has been filed with the Commission and is available for public inspection:

a. *Type of Application:* Preliminary Permit.

b. *Project No.:* 12201-000.

c. *Date filed:* June 10, 2002.

d. *Applicant:* Merritt Hydro, LLC.

e. *Name and Location of Project:* The Merritt Dam Hydroelectric Project would be located on the Snake River in Cherry County, Nebraska. The project would utilize the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation's existing Merritt Dam and Reservoir.

f. *Filed Pursuant to:* Federal Power Act, 16 U.S.C. 791(a)—825(r).

g. *Applicant Contact:* Mr. Brent L. Smith, Northwest Power Services, Inc., P.O. Box 535, Rigby, ID 83442, (208) 745-0834.